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DECLARATION OF JAMES R. MILNE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.132

I, JAMES R. MILNE, hereby declare as follows:

1. I am employed by Sony Electronics, Inc.
2. The law firm of Fitch, Even, Tabin, and Flannery (AFitch, Even") represents Sony Electronics, Inc. (Sony) in patent application matters. Sony instructed Fitch, Even to handle prosecution of the above-identified patent application.
3. Sony is the assignee of the above-identified patent application.
4. An information disclosure statement was filed on May 12, 2004 that included the reference entitled "DTV: The Next Generation."
5. The date indicated on the information disclosure statement for "DTV: The Next Generation" was April 28, 2000.
6. April 28, 2000 was the date of an internal presentation was made to a group of Sony employees at a Sony Technical Symposium.

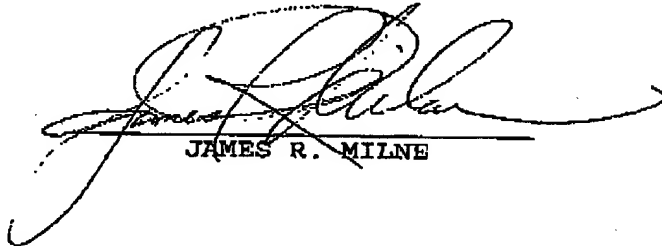
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7. I hereby declare that to the best of my knowledge, the material contained in "DTV: The Next Generation" was never presented or made available to anyone who was not employed by Sony more than one year before the filing date of the present application.

8. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made herein on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity or enforceability of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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